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SUBJECT: ATTACK ON FRG EMBASSY IN STOCKHOM: REQUEST
FOR ALLIED AIRCRAFT

1. IN VIEW OF PAST AND POSSIBLE FUTURE TERRORIST

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ACTIVITIES SOMEHOW INVOLVING FLIGHTS OUT OF BERLIN,

FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF WHAT TOOK PLACE HERE EVENING
APRIL 23 MAY BE USEFUL.

2. BRITISH, WHO WERE IN CHAIR DURING APRIL, RECEIVED
REQUEST IN BONN AT 1700 TO PROVIDE AIRCRAFT TO TRANSPORT
SIX ANARCHIST PRISONERS IN BERLIN TO FRANKFURT. AFTER
RECEIVING AUTHORITY FROM LONDON PASSED VIA UK EMBASSY
IN BONN, BRITISH MISSION ESTABLISHED THERE WERE TWO
SUITABLE AIRCARFT AVAILABLE: RAF BRITANNIA AT GATOW
AND DAN-AIR CHARTER BOEING 727 AT TEGEL. THESE PLANES
WERE OFFERED TO FRG AND SENAT AT 1900 UNDER FOLLOWING
CONDITIONS:

(A) RELEASED BERLIN PRISONERS SHOULD REMAIN UNDER
GERMAN CUSTODY ON AIRCRAFT;

(B) AT FRANKFURT, PRISONERS WOULD BE HANDED OVER
IMMEDIATELY TO FEDERAL AUTHORITIES.

PURPOSE OF CONDITIONS WAS TO ENSURE THAT AT NO POINT
WOULD BRITISH AUTHORITIES BE IMMEDIATELY RESPONSIBLE
FOR SECURITY OF PRISONERS.

3. DAN-AIR PLANE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY LAID OFF IN ABSENCE
OF FURTHER REQUEST. RAF BRITANNIA WAS KEPT AT
READY UNTIL 2300, WHEN UK EMBASSY BONN WAS INFORMED BY
FEDERAL AUTHORITIES IT WOULD DEFINITELY NOT BE NEEDED.

4. ON ASSUMPTION ALLIED AIRCRAFT MIGHT BE URGENTLY
REQUESTED, US MISSION ABOUT 1630 ALERTED TWO US AIRLINES
HERE AND TEMPELHOF AUTHORITIES, MAKING CLEAR NO REQUEST
WAS BEING MADE. PA OFFICIALS WERE OPPOSED TO SUPPLYING
PLACE AND WERE CERTAIN PA NEW YORK WOULD REJECT ANY
SUCH REQUEST NOT BACKED BY URGENT USG PLEA. AEROAMERICA
WHOSE SINGLE BOEING 720 IS BASED AT TEGEL, REPLIED
WITHOUT HESITATION THAT IF ASKED TO DO SO THEY WOULD
BE PREPARED CARRY PRISONERS TO FRANKFURT BUT THAT
AIRCRAFT WOULD NOT BE BACK IN BERLIN UNTIL 2300, AT
WHICH TIME FRESH CREW COULD BE LAID ON TO TAKE OFF
IMMEDIATELY. CMDR., 7350 AIR BASE GROUP, AND US CIVIL
AIR ADMINISTRATOR AT TEMPELHOF WERE PREPARED THROUGHOUT
EVENING TO LAY ON ADDITIONAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS AT
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TEMPELHOF IF NEEDED.

5. FRENCH MISSION COOPERATED THROUGHOUT EVENING WITH
BRITISH IN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR USE OF TEGEL NORTH
IN CASE DAN-AIR CHARTER HAD BEEN USED.

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